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AND
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE YEAR 1965

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Public Health Department,
Town Hall,
TYLDESLEY.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

I have the honour to present for your information and consideration the Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the Urban District of Tyldesley for the year 1965.

STATISTICS

According to the Registrar General's mid year estimate the population of the district has again shown an increase, being 18,210 as against 17,540 the previous year and 17,180 in 1963.

During the year under review 360 live births occurred, an increase of 40 on the previous year. 8 babies were still born. Relating these figures to the population, the adjusted Live Birth Rate is 21.7 an increase of 1.6 on the previous year, and the Still Birth Rate a decrease of 11.5 on the year 1964.

9 babies died during their first year of life giving an Infant Mortality Rate for the year of 25.0.Of these, 4 occurred within the first week, 1 in the second week, 1 in the third week, 1 in the second month and 2 in the third month.

The total number of deaths (from all causes) is 12 more than in the previous year, being 212 and 8 more than in 1963 when there were 204 deaths. As in previous years the main cause of death has been disease of the heart and blood vessels, accounting for just over half of the total. Relating the number of deaths to the population as a whole the Death Rate for the year is 13.3 more by 0.2 than in 1964.

HEALTH SERVICES

The personal health services have been provided in the district by the Lancashire County Council, through its Divisional Health Administration Scheme, as the Local Health Authority. The essential information in relation to these services is given in Section B of this report. Should you require further details I would refer you to my Annual Report as Divisional Medical Officer.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

The sanitary circumstances of the district have been kept under close supervision. Special attention has been paid to food and water supplies, housing and sanitation.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

In conclusion I am pleased to record my sincere appreciation of your continued support and encouragement throughout the year, and, at the same time to thank the chief officials, and my own public health staff in particular for their help and advice on many matters.

Yours sincerely,

E. TAYLOR.

Medical Officer of Health.

Area in Acres	5,174
Registrar General's estimate of population (mid 1965)	18,210
Population census 1931	19,430
Population preliminary census 1961	16,810
Number of inhabited houses (census 1931)	4,393
Number of inhabited houses (census 1961)	5,751
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1965) according to Rate Book	6,182
Rateable Value	£502,545
Sum represented by a penny rate	£ 1,866

VITAL STATISTICS

Calculated on a population of 18,210

		Male	Female	Total
BIRTHS				
Live Births -	Legitimate	166	176	342
	Illegitimate	12	6	18
		178	182	360
Still Births -	Legitimate	2	6	8
	Illegitimate	-	-	-
		2	6	8

Total registered Births for 1965 - 368
Total registered Births for 1964 - 331

LIVE BIRTH RATE (Per 1,000 of population)

Adjusted Rate for year 1965.	21.7
Adjusted Rate for year 1964.	20.1
For 5 year average 1960 - 1964	17.3
Increase in 1965 on 1964	1.6
Increase in 1965 on 5 year average.	4.4
Live Birth Rate for England and Wales for 1965	18.1

STILL BIRTH RATE (Per 1,000 of population)

For Year 1965.	21.7
For Year 1964.	33.2
Still Birth Rate for England and Wales for 1965	15.7

DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
INFANTILE - Legitimate	8	1	9
Illegitimate	-	-	-
	8	1	9

MATERNAL NIL

OTHER CAUSES

	Male	Female	Total
Cancer	17	19	36
Tuberculosis	-	-	-
Other Causes	102	74	176
Total registered deaths for 1965:	119	93	212
Total registered deaths for 1964:	113	87	200

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE (Per 1,000 Live Births)

For Year 1965.	25.0
For Year 1964.	18.8
For 5 year average 1960 - 1964	16.8
Increase in 1965 on 1964	6.2
Increase in 1965 on 5 year average.	8.2
Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1965	19.0

TOTAL MATERNAL MORTALITY (Live and Still Births)

For Year 1965.	Nil
For Year 1964.	3.02
For 5 year average 1960 - 1964	0.60
Decrease in 1965 on 1964	3.02
Decrease in 1965 on 5 year average.	0.60
Maternal Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1965	0.25

TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE

For Year 1965.	Nil
For Year 1964.	Nil
For 5 year average 1960 - 1964	0.04
Decrease in 1965 on 1964	Nil
Decrease in 1965 on 5 year average.	0.04
Tuberculosis Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1965	0.048

DEATH RATE

For Year 1965.	13.3
For Year 1964.	13.1
For 5 year average 1960 - 1964	14.9
Increase in 1965 on 1964	0.2
Decrease in 1965 on 5 year average.	1.6
Death Rate for England and Wales for 1965.	11.5

INFANTILE MORTALITY

9 deaths were reported compared with 6 during 1964 and 3 in 1963. This gives an Infantile Mortality Rate for the year 1965 of 25.0 compared with 18.8 in 1964.

The cases and ages were as follows:-

CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE IN MONTHS			
	0-1	1-3	3-6	6-12
Renal Failure	1	-	-	-
Asphyxia	-	2	-	-
Prematurity	3	-	-	-
Pneumonia	2	1	-	-
	6	3	-	-

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE

Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 legitimate births 25.0.

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

6 deaths occurred in the neo-natal period (under 4 weeks) giving a death rate per 1,000 live births of 16.7

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

4 deaths occurred in the early neo-natal period (under 1 week) giving a death rate per 1,000 live births of 11.1.

PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE

With 8 still births and 4 deaths under 1 week the perinatal mortality rate per 1,000 total live and still births was 32.6

CAUSE OF DEATH DURING 1965

		MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1.	Tuberculosis - Respiratory	-	-	-
2.	Tuberculosis - Other Forms	-	-	-
3.	Syphillitic Disease	1	-	1
4.	Diphtheria	-	-	-
5.	Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6.	Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8.	Measles	-	-	-
9.	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	-	-
10.	Cancer of Stomach	3	3	6
11.	Cancer of Lung, Bronchus	3	1	4
12.	Cancer of Breast	-	3	3
13.	Cancer of Uterus	-	1	1
14.	Cancer of Other Sites	11	11	22
15.	Leukaemia	-	1	1
16.	Diabetes	-	-	-
17.	Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	10	14	24
18.	Coronary Disease, Angina	31	19	50
19.	Hypertension with Heart Disease	3	-	3
20.	Other Heart Disease	14	14	28
21.	Other Circulatory Disease	6	4	10
22.	Influenza	-	-	-
23.	Pneumonia	6	5	11
24.	Bronchitis	7	3	10
25.	Other Disease of Respiratory System	2	-	2
26.	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	-	-	-
27.	Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	-	-	-
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	1	1
29.	Hyperplasia of Prostate	-	-	-
30.	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	-	-
31.	Congenital Malformation	2	1	3
32.	Other Defined and Ill Defined Diseases	8	7	15
33.	Motor Vehicle Accidents	5	1	6
34.	All Other Accidents	4	3	7
35.	Suicide	3	1	4
36.	Homicide and Operations of War	-	-	-
		119	93	212

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1965 WITH

ANALYSIS OF CASES UNDER AGE GROUPS

DISEASES	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total deaths	AGE INCIDENCE									
				Under one Year	1 to 3	3 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 25	25 to 45	45 to 65	65 and over	Age unknown
Measles	127	-	-	1	58	49	18	-	-	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	3	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	9	-	-	1	3	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever	27	-	-	-	7	12	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
	167	-	-	2	69	64	27	1	1	1	1	-	1

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1965

	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1964	7	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
1965	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

Ambulance Service

Orchard Lane, Atherton . . . . . Tel No. Swinton 4343

Care of Children - Children's Act, 1948

Children's Committee - Lancashire County Council Area No. 11

Area Children's Officer:-

Mr. G. Littlemore,

William Deacon's Bank Chambers,

Market Street,

LEIGH. Tel. No. Leigh 72206/7

Clinics

1) Ante-Natal	Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m.
2) Post-Natal	Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m.
3) Immunisation	At County Clinics as required.
4) Maternity & Child Welfare	(1) Astley Centre Thursday p.m. (2) George Street Centre Tyldesley, Tuesday p.m.
5) Ophthalmic (by appointment)	Elliott Street Clinic Friday a.m.
6) Orthopaedic (by appointment)	Elliott Street Clinic 2nd Friday of each month.
7) School Health & Minor Ailments	Elliott Street Clinic Monday a.m.
8) Physiotherapy (by appointment)	Elliott Street Clinic Thursday a.m.
9) Dental	Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m. and all day Tuesday.
10) Tuberculosis	The Infirmary, Leigh.

Venereal Disease

(1) Civic Centre, Bolton.

MALES:-

Mon. to Fri.	9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
Mon. Wed. and Fri.	4.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

FEMALES:-

Tues. Thurs. and Sat.	9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Mon. Wed. and Fri.	4.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

(2) Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan.

MALES:-

Fri.	2 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

FEMALES:-

Wed.	2 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

(3) The Infirmary, Leigh.

MALES AND FEMALES:-

Mon.	9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

Convalescence

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council through the Divisional Medical Officer.

Convalescent Treatment

Under arrangements made by the Regional Hospital Board.

Health Visiting Service

Two Health Visitors/School Nurses employed in the District by the Lancashire County Council.

Home Help Service

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council. Applications to Divisional Health Offices, Leigh Road, Leigh.

Home Nursing Service

Male and Female District Nurses provided by the Lancashire County Council.

Hospitals

1) General	Leigh Infirmary, Bolton Infirmary, Atherleigh Hospital, Astley Hospital.
2) Infectious Diseases	Whelley Hospital, Hulton Lane Hospital.

3) Maternity — Billinge Hospital, Davyhulme Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital.

Maternity Homes

Firs Maternity Home, Leigh.

Laboratory Facilities

Regional Hospital Laboratories at Bolton and Wigan Infirmaries, and the Public Health Laboratory at Withington Hospital.

Midwifery Service

Two full time domiciliary midwives provided by the Lancashire County Council.

Moral Welfare

Local Officer:-

Mrs. J. Johnson,

186 Chapel Street,

LEIGH. Tel. No. Leigh 71061

(Council for Moral Welfare Work)

Nursing Homes

None in the District.

Unmarried Mothers and Illegitimate Children

Provision for their care is made by the Lancashire County Council.

Welfare Service

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council residential accommodation is available at Atherleigh Grange and Hourigan House, Leigh, Winifred Kettle House, Westhoughton and the recently opened Park House, Tyldesley.

X Ray Facilities

At the General Hospitals of the Regional Board, Leigh, Bolton and Wigan. Facilities for special chest cases at the Chest Clinic, Leigh Infirmary.

SECTION C

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

DIPHTHERIA

As last year no case or carrier was notified. Continuation of immunisation is still essential if the disease is to be controlled.

DYSENTERY

90 notifications were received during the year, but only 9 were confirmed, none being admitted to hospital. Control depends upon the understanding and co-operation of all who handle food and drink.

ERYSIPELAS

No cases were notified as against 2 the previous year.

FOOD POISONING

No cases of this disease were reported during the year. As in the case of Dysentery, control of Food Poisoning is dependent upon the understanding and co-operation of all who handle food and drink.

MALARIA

No notifications for the year.

MEASLES

127 cases were notified as against 73 in the previous year.

MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION

No cases notified during the year.

PARATYPHOID AND TYPHOID FEVER

No cases notified for the year.

PNEUMONIA

No cases notified as against 1 last year.

POLIOMYELITIS

It is pleasing to report that there has been another year with no cases of this disease.

PUERPERAL PYREXIA

1 case notified during the year.

SCARLET FEVER

27 cases were notified as against 1 the previous year. No case was admitted to hospital and all were mild in character.

SMALLPOX

No notified cases or contacts within the district for the year under review.

TUBERCULOSIS

6 new cases of pulmonary and none of non-pulmonary tuberculosis were reported during the year, as compared with 8 and 1 respectively the previous year. There were no deaths from tuberculosis during the year.

WHOOPING COUGH

This year there were 3 cases as against 14 in 1964 and there were no deaths.

SECTION D

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

GENERAL INFORMATION

The major portion of the district is urban in character concentrated chiefly in the north and centre, surrounded by an area of agricultural land.

The main industries are coal mining, cotton spinning and engineering, with a small number in agriculture.

None of the above industries appears to have given rise to any significant increase in injuries or disabilities of any occupational character throughout the year.

WATER SUPPLY

The Manchester Corporation Waterworks Committee are responsible for the supply and distribution of the water supply in the district.

6,165 dwelling houses, with a population of 18,160 persons are supplied with water from public mains. 11 houses with a total of 50 occupants draw supplies from private wells or springs. These are situated in isolated parts of the district and the dwellings are in connection with small holdings or agricultural land.

365 new houses have been connected to the town's water mains.

24 bacteriological examinations of town's water were made during the year and all were satisfactory.

Water mains have been renewed to the extent of 142 lineal yards to existing dwellings and 2,098 lineal yards to new dwellings.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Sewage is delivered to the East Lancashire Road pumping station by four sewers, two of 38" diameter and two of 30" and 24" diameter respectively, converging from different areas of the district. The pumping station delivers flows of 6 times dry weather flow to the disposal works and flows in excess of this enter the storm water pumping station and are discharged direct to Astley Brook.

Treatment is by means of sedimentation tanks and percolating filters followed by final settlement in circular humus tanks, fitted with electrically operated sludge removal gear. A third pumping station delivers the effluent to Black Moss Brook.

Work has been completed on the Chaddock Lane Sewer (Part One) and the contract let for the construction of the Boothstown - Chaddock Lane Sewer.

All new houses have been connected to the sewer.

SCRAP METAL DEALERS

On the 1st April, 1965, the Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964, came into operation and eight dealers with premises in the district were registered under the Act.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT

There are no premises in the district registered for the use of Rag Flock.

PETROLEUM (REGULATIONS) ACT 1928 AND 1936

The following licences to store petroleum spirit were issued during the year:-

Not exceeding	100 gallons			- 3
Exceeding	100 gallons	not exceeding	500 gallons	- 9
Exceeding	500 gallons	not exceeding	1,000 gallons	- 3
Exceeding	1,000 gallons	not exceeding	5,000 gallons	- 9
Exceeding	5,000 gallons			- 4

SWIMMING BATHS

The Public Baths are situated in Castle Street, and consist of one plunge. Towns main water is used for filling, and treatment is by the continuous filtration method with a 4 hour turnover period.

13 samples of swimming bath water were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination, 12 were reported as satisfactory and 1 unsatisfactory.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

The figures below show the sanitary accommodation for the district for the present year compared with the year 1964.

	1965	1964
Number of privy middens	6	6
Number of closets attached to the above middens	7	7
Number of pail closets	45	45
Number of trough closets	Nil	Nil
Number of waste water closets	70	74
Number of fresh water closets	7,283	6,951

4 waste water closets have been converted to fresh water closets.

Grants are made by the Council for closet conversions on the following scale:-

£9 or half the cost which ever is the less for privy and pail conversions
£8 or half the cost which ever is the less for waste water closets

PUBLIC CLEANSING

A weekly collection of house refuse is maintained throughout the district by means of 4 side loading 10 c.yd. vehicles and refuse is disposed of by means of controlled tipping. Pail closets are emptied by the gully tank.

Tipping has continued on the Mount Pleasant site Shakerley during the year.

In the early summer the refuse tip was treated with an insecticide dressing, which has continued weekly throughout the summer months, and has been found to be effective in preventing nuisance from flies and crickets.

Scavenging, gully emptying and snow removal are undertaken by the Surveyor's Department.

The provision of free dustbins has continued, and 469 bins were supplied by the department during the financial year.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Number of Inspections and Reinspections during the year	3,236
Number of preliminary notices served	41
Number of preliminary notices abated	17
Number of statutory notices served	27
Number of statutory notices abated	18

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Infectious Diseases &c.	123
Public Health Act, Visits and Revisits	332
Drainage	151
Markets	12
Refuse Collection and Disposal	7
Slaughterhouses	359
Housing Acts	929
Council Houses	9
Petroleum Regulations	7
Rodent Control	47
Food Preparing Premises	130
Factories	59
Closet Conversions	6
Keeping of Animals	13
Food Shops &c	183
Smoke Abatement	130
Sampling	101
Accumulations	29
Water Supply	43
Verminous Premises	64
Pet Shops	4
Animal Boarding Establishments	2
Offices, Shops and Railway Establishments	325
Standard Grants	160
Miscellaneous Visits and Interviews	11

FACTORIES

The following tables give the number of inspections made regarding factories and the defects discovered &c.

	NO. CN REGTR.	NO. OF INSP.	NO. OF WRITTEN NOTICES	NO. OF OCCUPIERS PROSECUTED
Factories without mechanical power	3	2	-	-
Factories with mechanical power	44	57	-	-
TOTAL	47	59	-	-

	FOUND	REMEDIED	REFERRED TO H.M. INSP.	REFERRED BY H.M. INSP.	NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PROSEC. WERE INSTITUTED
Want of Cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Unsuitable or defective sanitary conveniences	4	5	-	-	-
Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	4	5	-	-	-

SMOKE

Water spraying continued on Astley Green and Cleworth Hall Colliery and Cooling Lane spoilbanks. A mechanical shovel is being used at Cooling Lane to improve the surface.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

General inspections under the above Act continued during the year, and all registered premises have now been inspected with the exception of those premises about which some doubt exists as to whose duty it is to inspect them.

The chief contravention is failure to display a copy of the abstract, but this is due to the fact that copies have only recently been made available.

Frequent concern is expressed especially by shopkeepers regarding the provision of ventilation by means of opening windows or fanlights, which contradicts the safety precautions urged by the police.

The Act appears to have been well received and cooperation generally has been good. Of the contraventions still outstanding most of the work has been placed in the hands of contractors.

The following table shows the number of inspections made during the year:-

	Class of premises				
	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale shops, warehouses	Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
(a) No. of registered premises at end of year	28	99	4	19	1
(b) No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year	17	43	-	17	-
(c) No. of exemptions current at end of year	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Space (S.5 (2))	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Temperature (S.6)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Sanitary conveniences (S.9)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Washing facilities (S.10)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

VERMINOUS PREMISES

25 premises (6 Council houses and 19 others) were disinfested during the year with a 5% DDT solution sprayed on to walls, woodwork &c. which treatment appears to give satisfactory results.

Household effects and furniture are examined before removal to Council houses and treated where necessary, advice and instructions are given to tenants in appropriate cases of the habits of vermin and the necessary measures to prevent re-infestation.

RODENT CONTROL

A Rodent Operator is employed part-time in this work and the Ministry's recommended methods employed. All premises concerning which complaints are made are visited either by your Public Health Inspector or the Rodent Operator, and treatment carried out where necessary. A charge is made for business premises, but a free service is provided for private dwelling houses.

The various properties and premises in the Council's occupation are regularly inspected and treated where necessary.

4,753 visits have been made to private dwellings, business premises and local authorities properties in connection with rodent infestation.

In addition two sewer treatments have been undertaken involving the inspection and baiting of manholes with fluoroacetamide.

SCHOOLS

All the schools are provided with an adequate water supply and fresh water closets.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

123 visits were paid to premises where Infectious Disease had occurred.

95 faecal specimens were submitted for examination, 13 of which were reported as positive Dysentery.

HOUSING

The majority of houses in the area are of 4 roomed cottage type lacking in the main such amenities as hot water supply and baths. Although materials are easier to obtain, prices remain high and this together with the high cost of labour make repairs still difficult to obtain.

Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects	247
Number of inspections made for that purpose	397
Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation as a result of the preliminary Slum Clearance Survey	64
Number of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for habitation	39
Number of dwelling houses where defects were remedied without formal notice	13
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	20
Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	14

347 houses were erected during the year by private persons and none by the Local Authority.

There were 148 applications for Council houses at the end of 1965 and 124 for bungalows. Approximately 50% of applications are from sub-tenants.

Information extracted from the Council house application register shows the number of dwelling houses overcrowded at the end of the year to be 33 comprising 49 families and 214 persons. 17 new cases of overcrowding were reported during the year and 5 cases relieved.

One Demolition Order was made during the year in respect of 63 Elliott Street, Tyldesley.

In addition 10 prefabricated houses have been demolished and 5 unfit houses closed.

Number of houses demolished during the year	15
Number of persons displaced during the year	56
Number of families rehoused	19

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959 - STANDARD GRANTS

66 applications for Standard Grants under the above Act were made during the year ending December 1965 and 65 applications granted, a slight increase over the previous year.

Total amount of grants paid - £6,812 4s. 4d.

RENT ACT, 1957

Part 1 - Applications for Certificates of Disrepair

(1) Number of applications for certificates	Nil
(2) Number of decisions not to issue certificates	Nil
(3) Number of decisions to issue certificates	
(a) in respect of some but not all defects	Nil
(b) in respect of all defects	Nil
(4) Number of undertakings given by landlord under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	Nil
(5) Number of undertakings refused by Local Authority	Nil
(6) Number of certificates issued	Nil

Part 11 - Applications for Cancellation of Certificates

(7) Applications by landlord to Local Authority for cancellation of certificates	Nil
(8) Objections by tenants to cancellation of certificates	Nil
(9) Decision by Local Authority to cancel in spite of tenants objections	Nil
(10) Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	Nil

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There is one common lodging house in the district licenced annually with accommodation for 10 persons, which is conducted in a satisfactory manner.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1961

2 licences to keep Pet shops have been issued during the year.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

1 licence to keep an Animal Boarding Establishment has been issued during the year.

MILK AND DAIRIES

The supervision and inspection of dairy farms is now the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and milk licences in the area are now issued by the Lancashire County Council.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

785 visits have been made to food premises and the following foodstuffs were condemned:-

NATURE	QUANTITIES			
	tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Canned Meat				24
Meat (including 3 lamb and 2 cow carcases)	3	12	0	26
Miscellaneous (canned foodstuffs 57 tins)		1	2	2
Skimmed Powdered Milk		2	2	0
Frozen Food		1	1	21
Potatoes		17	3	12
	4	15	3	1

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trades in the district.

PRESERVED FOOD &C.

Premises used for the preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved meat, fish or other food intended for sale must be registered. The number of premises registered at the end of the year was 17.

4 private slaughterhouses were licensed for the slaughter of animals.

During the year 15 licences were issued to persons to slaughter animals for human consumption.

Condemned meat is sent to a nearby cat and dog food manufacturer, where it is sterilised and canned for animal food.

359 visits have been made to slaughterhouses in the district and the carcases of the following animals inspected 908 cattle, 215 cows, 13 calves, 5,479 sheep and 1 pig.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	908	215	13	5,479	1
Number Inspected	908	215	13	5,479	1
All diseases except Tuberculosis:-					
1) Whole carcases condemned	-	2	-	3	-
2) Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	308	150	-	453	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	33.0	70.0	-	8.3	-
Tuberculosis only:-					
1) Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-
2) Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis:-					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	3	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

FOOD POISONING

No cases were reported during the year.

FOOD PREMISES

Progress regarding the Food Hygiene Regulations has continued to be good. Advice and assistance is given to all who desire it to enable them to comply with the regulations.

ICE CREAM PREMISES

Premises used for the sale or manufacture of ice cream have been visited regularly. There are now 58 premises registered for the sale and 1 for the manufacture of ice cream.

71 samples of ice cream were obtained and submitted to the methylene blue test of which 63 were Grade 1 and 8 Grade 2.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD

Sampling under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 is undertaken by the Lancashire County Council, and during the year 85 samples have been obtained by the Inspectors, 49 being milk and 36 others comprising:-

1 beef sausage
1 apple pie
1 lard
1 oatmeal
1 mixed fruit, dried
1 table jelly
1 arrowroot
1 boric acid ointment B.P.C.
1 glycerin B.P.
1 soft drink (lemonade)
1 soft drink (dandelion and burdock)
1 white pepper
1 tomatoes, canned
1 malt vinegar
4 sweets
1 blackcurrant drink with Vit. C
1 corn oil margarine
1 culphatriad suspension
1 tincture of iodine
1 margarine
1 sago
1 lentils
1 cream, sterilised
1 meat and potato pie
2 paracetamol tablets
2 bread
1 cornflour
1 brown sugar
1 meat, canned
2 zinc ointment

The County Analyst gave adverse reports on 3 samples as under:-

Type of Sample	Results of Analysis	Action Taken
1 soft drink (lemonade)	Contained a slight deposit of dried yeast cells	Manufacturer informed.
1 Informal milk	Contained 0.05 I.U. penicillin per ml.	Dairy informed.
1 meat and potato pie	(genuine) but contained short fine fibres consisting of muscle fibres from the minced meat.	Complainant informed.